MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot say.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*): Is the Government aware of the inconvenience caused to the clients by having this Court away from the other courts?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is only 2 furlongs; that is not a long distance.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*): If there is a public place available, why not locate this court near the other public offices?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): If there is space available that could be done. But even then, there will be the necessity for erecting a building which means that some expense will have to be incurred.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*): May I take it that because there is scarcity of accommodation this court is located apart from the other offices?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is no scarcity of accommodation.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*): Then, what is the purpose in having this particular court alone detached from the others?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already said that I could not say.

The State Geologist.

237. MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state the name of the State Geologist, or, if there is no separate officer for the same, the name of the officer who performs the duties of the Geologist now?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): There is no State Geologist and there is none to perform his duties at present.

Mr. I. C. Chacko, Director of Industries, was, till his retirement on 25-12-31, also attending to the work of the State Geologist. Since then, there is no such officer. It is proposed to appoint a Geologist on Rs. 150-10-200 in the Department of Industries from the beginning of 1108 and provision therefor has been included in the Preliminary Budget for 1108.

Experimental Anchal Office at Chengamanad.

238. MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there was a memorial from the people of Chengamanad for the opening of an Anchal Office at Chengamanad in the Parur taluk;

(*b*) whether any security was required to be deposited;

(*c*) whether it was deposited;

(*d*) whether the Anchal Superintendent has recommended the opening of one;

(*e*) whether sanction was given for one, and

(*f*) if not, the reason for the delay?

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